Certificate of Need Task Force Conference Call Meeting January 25, 2006 Meeting Minutes

TASK FORCE MEMBERS PRESENT

Norm Charney

Dorothy Graham

Steve Hill

Denise Hopkins

Kathy Marshall

Palmer Pollock

Mary Selecky

Robby Stern Janet Varon

Carolyn Watts, Chair

James Burke for Senator Deccio

Scott Plack for Rick Woods

TASK FORCE MEMBERS ABSENT

Representative Barbara Bailey Representative Eileen Cody

Senator Alex Deccio

Jon Smiley

Senator Pat Thibaudeau

Rick Woods

INTERESTED PUBLIC PARTIES

Gary Bennett Bart Eggen

Donna Goodwin Robb Menaul

STAFF PRESENT

Nancy Fisher, MD Gary Fugere

Linda Glaeser, RN Tom Piper, Consultant

Beverly Skinner

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Call to Order, Role Call	Role call established a quorum.	
Review of January 3, 2006 Task Force minutes	The minutes were approved with the noted correction.	Palmer Pollock and Jon Smiley's names will be added to the Members Present and Tom Piper and Bruce Spector added to Staff Present.
Update: related '06 Legislative Session activity	The Task Force was updated on the many related bills currently in the Legislature. It was decided to have a Legislative Update as a standing agenda item during the Legislative session.	Incorporate agenda item of Legislative Update for meetings during Legislative session.
Overview of recent select literature related to market competition and regulation	An overview was given on the following articles: a.) The January/February '06 issue of Health Affairs, 2.) "Redefining Competition in Health Care" from the Harvard Business Review, 3.) The Washington Policy Center news release – "New Study Highlights the Failure of Washington's Medical	Articles that do not have copy right issues will be place on the HCA CON Web site.

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	Certificate of Need Program," 4.) The National Report Card on the State of Emergency Medicine, American College of Emergency Physicians article "Will Life-Saving Emergency Care Be There When You Need It? 5.) Research article – "Volume-based referral for cardiovascular procedures in the United States: a cross-sectional regression analysis" authored by Andrew J Epstein, Saif S Rathore, Harlan M Krumholz and Kevin GM Volpp.	
Review of Draft Value Statement	The Draft Value Statement prepared by Cindy and Tom was discussed. General agreement on the need for consideration of planning, market competition, cooperation, and some regulation was reached. Cindy and Tom were directed to redraft the Value Statement per the discussion for final review at a subsequent conference call prior to the Feb. 16, 2006 TAC meeting. The Value Statement from the Task Force would serve as an overarching guiding principle for a future work of the TAC and Task Force.	Cindy and Tom to redraft the Values Statement. Staff to schedule a Task Force Conference call prior to the 2/16/06 TAC meeting for completion of discussion.
Review of Discussion Report related to Draft Recommendations concerning: CON purpose and goal CON general review criteria	Discuss at next meeting.	
Discussion: Additional Questions for TAC related to: CON scope of covered services	Discuss at next meeting.	
Public Comment	None	
Meeting Wrap-up	Mary Selecky requested that the issue of a CON interface with the Long Term Care Commission must not be lost. Staff will set up a follow-up conference call meeting before the February 16 TAC meeting to discuss CON purpose, goal and review criteria.	Staff to determine potential linkage/interface.
Adjourn	Meeting adjourned at 5:30 pm	

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